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My comments are attached.

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Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

This is in regard to the settlement that has been reached in the government's three-year antitrust case against Microsoft. I want to let you know that I support the settlement that has been reached by the parties involved. The continued pursuit of this case would be a waste of time, money, and human resources.

Microsoft will be making a number of specific changes due to the settlement. For instance, Microsoft has agreed to allow computer makers to remove the means by which consumers access various features of Windows, Windows Messenger, Microsoft's Internet Explorer, and Windows Media Player.

Also, the company has agreed to document and disclose various interfaces that are internal to Windows' operating system products for use by its competitors. I ask that the government accept the settlement, and stop continued litigation against Microsoft.

Sincerely,

Deborah Gouge

cc: Senator Rick Santorum